



**VII UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**VIII NEW BUSINESS**

**IX MISCELLANEOUS**

**X ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**XI CLOSED SESSION**

A. Personnel Director - Labor Negotiations

**Motion: To go into closed session pursuant to MCLA 15.268, Sec. 8 (c): For strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement when either negotiating party requests a closed hearing.**

**XII RECESS/ADJOURNMENT**

No. 2016-184

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**JULY 19, 2016**

**RESOLUTION**

**BY: PERSONNEL/HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE (7/19/16)**

**WHEREAS, Region VII, Area Agency on Aging, has submitted its proposed FY 2017-2019 Multi-Year and Annual Implementation Plan which outlines how funds benefit older adults within the planning and service area, said plan on file in the Board of Commissioners' Office; Therefore, Be It**

**RESOLVED That the Bay County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Region VII Area Agency on Aging FY 2017-2019 Multi-Year and Annual Implementation Plan.**

**MICHAEL E. LUTZ, CHAIR  
AND COMMITTEE**

**Region VII 2017-2019 Multi-Year and Annual Implementation Plan**

MOVED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

SUPPORTED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

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ERNIE KRYGIER				THOMAS M. HEREK							
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**VOTE TOTALS:**

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## BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JULY 19, 2016

## RESOLUTION

- BY:** PERSONNEL/HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE (7/19/16)
- WHEREAS,** The Bay County Probate Court received a \$310,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice in 2012 to work with the Bay County Women's Center to open up a Safe Haven: Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange facility; and
- WHEREAS,** Last year a one-year extension was granted with the grant set to expire on September 30, 2016; and
- WHEREAS,** The balance left after May 2016 month-end close is \$163,856; and
- WHEREAS,** To retain the unspent funds, the Department of Justice has a process allowing recipients to continue drawing down the balance and extending the grant for another year and they are asking for a letter from the Court and the County funding unit to process this extension; and
- WHEREAS,** The grant has no required match and requires no local funds for operation; Therefore, Be It
- RESOLVED** That the Bay County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chairman of the Board to execute the letter to the U.S. Department of Justice requesting an extension of grant award 2012-CW-AX-K017 on behalf of Bay County.

**MICHAEL E. LUTZ, CHAIR  
AND COMMITTEE**

## Probate Court - DOJ Grant Extension - 2012-CW-AX-K017

MOVED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

SUPPORTED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
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## BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JULY 19, 2016

## RESOLUTION

BY: BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (7/19/16)

**RESOLVED** That, subject to approval, the following ballot question be submitted to the electors of this County on November 8, 2016, for the purpose of renewing the property tax limitation by .70 of a mill to fund the 911 Central Dispatch continued operation in Bay County; And Be It Further

**RESOLVED** That the question to be submitted to said electors at said election shall be in the following form:

## 911 Central Dispatch Millage Renewal

"Shall the limitation on the amount of property taxes which may be levied each year against all taxable property in Bay County be increased by .70 of a mill (70¢ per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of 6 years, 2016 through 2021 inclusive, for the continued operation of Bay County 9-1-1 Central Dispatch"? This is a renewal of .70 of a mill approved by the voters in 2009 that expired in 2015. (This millage will raise estimated revenues of \$\_\_\_\_\_ in the first year of the levy.); Be It Further

**RESOLVED** That changes as to form made by Corporation Counsel are permitted.

**ERNIE KRYGIER, CHAIR  
AND COMMITTEE**

## 911 Millage Renewal 2016-2021

MOVED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

SUPPORTED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
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## BAY COUNTY

911 Central Dispatch

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1228 Washington Ave., Bay City MI 48708

Christopher Izworski  
Director

Thomas L. Hickner  
Bay County Executive

Ryan Manz  
Emergency Management Coordinator  
989-895-4112

**To: Kim Coonan, Chairman, Bay County Ways and Means Committee**

**From: Tom Hickner, County Executive  
Christopher Izworski, 9-1-1 Director**

**Date: June 15, 2016**

**Subject: 9-1-1 Central Dispatch Millage Renewal Question – November 2016 Ballot.**

**Request:** That a renewal of the Bay County 9-1-1 Central Dispatch Millage, for the continuation of the Bay County 9-1-1 Central Dispatch, be placed on the November 2016 ballot for a period of six (6) years.

**Background:** The 9-1-1 Central Dispatch Millage renewal question is due to be presented to the voters in 2016. Bay County 9-1-1 Central Dispatch has served as the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for Bay County since 1986. Bay County 911 Central Dispatch would like to have the question of the November 2016 ballot. Our current rate is .70 of a mill for six (6) years.

**Finance/Economics:** The 9-1-1 Central Dispatch Millage provides the largest portion of the Bay County 9-1-1 Central Dispatch budget. It is essential that the question be placed before the voters for the renewal, to secure local resources for Public Safety Communications. Bay County Central Dispatch is the single Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) in Bay County. Drastic budget reductions would be necessary if the renewal is not secured for future years. Given that there has been strong voter support for the .70 mill, we are recommending the voters have the opportunity to renew the millage for an 6 (6) year period.

**Recommendation:** We recommend that the request for a renewal of the .70 of a mill for the continuation of Bay County 9-1-1 Central Dispatch be placed on the November 2016 ballot for a period of six (6) years, 2016 through 2021 inclusive. Furthermore, that the actual ballot language is subject to confirmation from the Equalization Department regarding the estimated revenues for the first year of the levy and that changes as to form maybe made by Corporation Counsel.

Cc: Tom Hickner, Tiffany Jerry, Crystal Hebert, Amber Johnson, Shawna Walraven, Bob Redmond, Kelly Rifenbark, Jan Histed

## Deanne Berger

**From:** Kelly Rifenbark  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 28, 2016 12:55 PM  
**To:** Christopher Izvorski; Deanne Berger  
**Cc:** Debra Russell; Tom Hickner; erniekrygierservice@hotmail.com; Kim Coonan; Robert Redmond; Shawna Walraven; Amber Johnson; Tiffany Jerry; Jan Histed  
**Subject:** RE: 9-1-1 Millage Memo

2016 Taxable Value      2,781,650,950

Proposed Millage	Tax \$s Generated
0.0500	\$139,082.55
0.1000	\$278,165.10
0.2000	\$556,330.19
0.3000	\$834,495.29
0.4000	\$1,112,660.38
0.5000	\$1,390,825.48
0.6000	\$1,668,990.57
0.7000	\$1,947,155.67
0.8000	\$2,225,320.76
0.9000	\$2,503,485.86
1.0000	\$2,781,650.95

\$ amount of Taxes = (millage/1000) x Taxable Value



**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS****JULY 19, 2016****RESOLUTION****BY: BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (7/19/16)**

**RESOLVED** That the following ballot question shall be submitted to the electors of this County on November 8, 2016, for the purpose of renewing the property tax limitation by .10 of a mill for the purpose of continued suppression, public education, and monitoring of Gypsy Moths and other invasive, non-native pests that damage local horticulture (trees and plants); And Be It Further

**RESOLVED** That the question to be submitted to said electors at said election shall be in the following form:

**Bay County Gypsy Moth Suppression Program**

“Shall the limitation of amount of property taxes which may be assessed each year against all taxable real and personal property in the County of Bay be increased by not more than 0.1 of a mill (10¢ per \$1,000) for a period of 6 years, 2016 to 2021 inclusive, to continue suppression, public education, and monitoring of Gypsy Moths, Emerald Ash Borer and other invasive, non-native pests that damage local horticulture (trees and plants)?” This is a renewal of the 0.1 of a mill approved by the voters in 2012 that expired in 2015. (This millage will raise estimated revenues of (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) in the first year of levy).

**And Be It Further**

**RESOLVED** That changes as to form made by Corporation Counsel are permitted.

**ERNIE KRYGIER, CHAIR****AND BOARD****Gypsy Moth Suppression Program - 2016-2021**

MOVED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

SUPPORTED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
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**VOTE TOTALS:**

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**BAY COUNTY GYPSY MOTH  
SUPPRESSION PROGRAM**

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wallacea@baycounty.net

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**TOM HICKER**  
County Executive

**LAURA OGAR, DIRECTOR**  
ogarl@baycounty.net

Community Initiatives  
Geographic Information Systems  
Gypsy Moth Suppression Program  
Mosquito Control  
Transportation Planning

**M E M O R A N D U M**

**DATE:** June 28, 2016

**TO:** Commissioner Kim Coonan, Chair  
Ways & Means Committee

**FROM:** Alicia Wallace  
Environmental Affairs & Community Development

**RE:** Approval to the Place the Gypsy Moth Millage Renewal on the 2016 Ballot

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**Background:**

The Bay County Gypsy Moth Suppression Program (Program) has helped protect the trees of Bay County since 1989. Due to sound conservative practices, grant funding and interest earned on fund balance, the millage has been collected nine (9) times during the 27 years the Program has been in operation. In 2011 the Program began an initiative to help maintain ash trees on publicly held lands to reduce the environmental impacts of emerald ash borer (EAB) and mitigate the potential economic and safety risks associated with EAB damage. The Program monitors Bay County to ensure that new and potentially damaging non-native invasive species are dealt with as soon as technology allows. There are no grants available to assist this program at this time. However, future grant funding may become available due to the growing number of non-native invasive pests being identified and the technological advances that allow for their control. A detailed Gypsy Moth Millage Background is attached along with the proposed millage language.

**Finance & Economics:**

The Gypsy Moth Suppression Program needs to renew millage funding to continue the Program. If there is no millage and mandate to continue the Program, it will end. Millage funding will allow the Program to continue to monitor for; identify; provide education regarding and, when possible, treat to control non-native invasive pests that cause economic damage and reduce the quality of life in Bay County. The 0.1 mill renewal for a period of six (6) years will assure the continuation of the Program. The Program pays into the general fund for indirect costs so no general funds will be used or obligated.

**Recommendation:**

Request a favorable recommendation to the Board of Commissioners to place the 0.1 mil Gypsy Moth Millage question on the 2016 Election Ballot upon favorable review of Corporation Council. Also, request authorization to make budget adjustments and any signatures required and documentation associated with this request.

cc: Tom Hickner, Laura Ogar, Deanne Berger, Jan Histed, Amber Davis-Johnson, Bob Redmond, Debbie Russell



**GYPSY MOTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, June 28, 2016

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**Present:**

Jerry Somalski, Paul Begick, Shelly Patterson, Sandy Webb, Terry Moulane, Laura Ogar, Cynthia Gaul, Pat Bilbrey, and Alicia Wallace.

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 11:38 a.m. by Jerry Somalski.

**Approval of the January 20, 2016 Meeting Minutes:**

A motion was made by Moulane, seconded by Begick, to approve the minutes as printed.  
Motion Passed.

**Public Comment:**

There was no public comment brought before the committee.

**Coordinator's Report**

**Gypsy Moth Update:**

Spraying to control the Gypsy Moth was done on May 30<sup>th</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>. The northern spray blocks were treated from Kawawlin Twp Park on the 30<sup>th</sup> and the City Spray blocks caterpillars began to die within a few hours of the treatment. The immediate population reduction within all spray blocks was dramatic. However the population on the huge Oak tree on Boehringer Court was still able to cause significant defoliation. To further help this tree, it was banded to prevent caterpillars from climbing back up the tree once they went down it. The caterpillars at this location continue to decline and any that we have collected there have died shortly after collection. The tree shows signs of recovery with a new flush of leaves starting just after the last good rain. Staff spoke with the homeowner and have visited the site several times since treatment was done and will determine if there was a large die-off of Gypsy Moth at this location. It is expected that there how well the population was reduced once adults are observed in later in the summer. Ms. Wallace reported that she expects there will be a significant population reduction at this location and throughout Bay County since staff have not found any additional caterpillars populations throughout the County.

**EAB Update:**

Locally ash trees continue to decline throughout the Bay County area. A few untreated ash trees in the county appear to be EAB free, however most ash trees are severely damaged or dead. There were 540 trees in the City of Bay City that were treated this year and 250 more that are spread throughout the rest of the Bay County. Most of these trees are looking good, though some are not responding to the treatment as well as others. A list of these trees that are not doing as well will be sent to the responsible agency so they can determine when or if these trees should be removed. Staff will re-evaluate the trees again in August and September to prepare for the 2017 treatment program. On a national level, the EAB continues to be found in more states and areas. The latest States to be added are Nebraska and Texas though they have not officially been added to the quarantined area.



# **Gypsy Moth Millage Background- 2016**

## **Program Objectives**

Reduce the damage caused by non-native, invasive pests that damage local horticulture (trees and plants) and to assist property owners to managing these pests. We accomplish this through treatments, monitoring and public education.

## **Current Millage**

- The original Millage was approved in 1989 at a rate of 0.25 mills for 2 years
- Since 1991 to the present the Millage Rate has remained at 0.1% (27 years)
- The Millage has been Leveed 9 times (1989, 1990, 2004, 2008, 2009, & 2012 thru 2015).
- From 1988 thru 2005, when grants were available, State and Federal Grants funded up to 45% of the programs cost. Interest on investments was also high during this period.
- In 2006 Federal and State Grants were no longer available and interest rates dropped.
- In 2012 78% of the voters approved a four (4) year millage.
- In 2014 the Gypsy Moth Advisory Committee Recommended that the Millage not be collected but it was.
- In 2016 the Operating Budget will be \$196,000.
- Contractual obligation for 2017 is \$150,253 to treat ash trees to protect them from Emerald Ash Borer (EAB).
- The 2017 Budget projection: \$263,000 (includes cost for EAB and Gypsy Moth treatments and Administration).

## **Proposed Millage Renewal**

- The millage must be renewed to keep the Program functioning.
- Keep the Millage Rate (0.1%) as Status Quote with no increase.
- This is a 6-year millage renewal.
- Do not levee the millage in 2016 & 2017 to help reduce the fund balance. Only collect when fund balance falls below \$350,000.
- The average \$100,000 home (SEV \$50,000) will pay \$5.00/year for non-native invasive pest control.

## **Future Program Focus**

- The Program will continue at present levels until other non-native invasive species arrive in Bay County and are approved for inclusion in the Program.
- Work cooperatively with Federal, State and Local Agencies to monitor for and respond to additional non-native invasive species that impact Bay County.
- The Program will Continue to :
  - Monitor over 500 sites to determine the county-wide level of Gypsy Moth populations.
  - Treat all wooded areas of Bay County that have increasing Gypsy Moth populations that will cause damage to trees and problems for homeowners.
  - Maintain 3,400 ash trees on publicly owned lands that are in lawn type areas of parks, cemeteries, schools, recreational areas, publicly owned parking lots and street tree.
  - Coordinate the Michigan Green Schools Initiative in Bay County to assist and recognize schools with their recycling programs, environmental stewardship and energy conservation efforts.
  - Monitor for new non-native invasive pests that will cause environmental damage, economic damage and reduce the quality of life in Bay County.
  - Provide public education to Bay County residents and visitors about non-native species that damage our environment and reduce the quality of life in Bay County.



**Bay County Board of Commissioners**  
**07/05/16**  
**RESOLUTION**

**BY:           WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE (07/05/16)**

- WHEREAS,** The Bay County Gypsy Moth Suppression Program has helped protect the trees of Bay County since 1989. The millage has been collected nine (9) times during the 27 years the Program has been in operation due to sound conservative practices, grant funding and interest earned on fund balance; and
- WHEREAS,** In 2011 the Program began an initiative to help maintain ash trees on publicly held lands to reduce the environmental impacts of emerald ash borer (EAB) and mitigate the potential economic and safety risks associated with EAB damage; and
- WHEREAS,** The Program monitors Bay County to ensure that new and potentially damaging non-native invasive species are controlled as soon as technology allows; and
- WHEREAS,** There are no grants available to assist this program at this time, though, future grant funding may become available due to the growing number of non-native invasive pests being identified and technological advances will allow for their control; and
- WHEREAS,** The Gypsy Moth Suppression Program needs a public mandate and renewed millage funding to continue the Gypsy Moth Suppression Program, without which it will end; and
- WHEREAS,** Millage funding will allow the Program to continue to monitor for, identify; provide education regarding and, when possible, treat to control non-native invasive pests that damage local horticulture ( trees and plant within Bay County); and
- WHEREAS,** The 0.1 mill renewal for a period of six (6) years will assure the continuation of the Bay County Gypsy Moth Suppression Program; and
- WHEREAS,** The Program pays into the general fund for indirect costs and no general funds will be used or obligated; Therefore Be It
- RESOLVED,** That the Bay County Board of Commissioners hereby approves placing the Gypsy Moth Suppression Program Millage renewal on the November 2016 election ballot in order to continue this valuable program to the residents of Bay County; Be It Further
- RESOLVED,** That the Board of Commissioners hereby set the Bay County Gypsy Moth Program Millage rate at 0.1 of a mill (10¢ per \$1,000.00), and Be It Further
- RESOLVED,** That the Bay County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Gypsy Moth Suppression Program Millage renewal be for a period of six (6) years (2012 to 2021 inclusive).

**KIM J. COONAN, CHAIR**  
**AND COMMITTEE**

Environmental Affairs – Gypsy Moth Suppression Millage Renewal for Six (6) Years

Moved by Comm. \_\_\_\_\_

Supported by Comm. \_\_\_\_\_

Commissioner	Y	N	E	Commissioner	Y	N	E	Commissioner	Y	N	E
Brandon Krause				Kim J. Coonan				Michael E. Lutz			
Ernie Krygier				Thomas M. Herek							
Vaughn J. Begick				Donald J. Tilley							

VOTE TOTALS:

ROLL CALL:

VOICE:

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Proposed- **2016 Millage Language**

General Election to be held Tuesday November 8, 2016

Gypsy Moth Millage Renewal

Shall the limitation of the amount of property taxes which may be assessed each year against all taxable real and personal property in Bay County be increased by not more than 0.1 of a mill (10¢ per \$1,000.00) for a period of ~~4~~ **6** years, 2016 to ~~2019~~ **2021** inclusive, to identify and continue suppression, public education, and monitoring of Gypsy Moths and other invasive, non-native pests that damage local horticulture (trees and plants). This is a renewal of 0.1 of a mil approved by the voters in 2012 that expired in 2015. (The millage will raise estimated revenues of \$285,000.00 in the first year of the levy).

## BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JULY 19, 2016

## RESOLUTION

BY: BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLVED** That the following ballot question shall be submitted to the electors of this County on November 8, 2016, for the purpose of renewing the property tax limitation by .45 of a mill for the purpose of continued control and abatement of mosquitoes; And Be It Further

**RESOLVED** That the question to be submitted to said electors at said election shall be in the following form:

## Mosquito Control Millage Renewal

“Shall the limitation of the amount of property taxes which may be assessed each year against all taxable real and personal property in Bay County be increased by not more than .45 of a mill (45¢ per \$1,000) for a period of 8 years, 2016 to 2023 inclusive, to continue control and abatement of mosquitoes”? This is a renewal of .45 of a mill approved by the voters in 2007 that expired in 2015. (This millage will raise estimated revenues of \_\_\_\_\_ in the first year of the levy).

And Be It Further

**RESOLVED** That changes as to form made by Corporation Counsel are permitted.

**ERNIE KRYGIER, CHAIR  
AND BOARD**

## Mosquito Control Millage Renewal

MOVED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

SUPPORTED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
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**OFFICE OF  
BAY COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

**Thomas L. Hickner**  
County Executive

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Kim Coonan, Chairman, Bay County Ways and Means Committee

FROM: Tom Hickner, County Executive  
Tom Putt, Mosquito Control Manager

RE: Mosquito Control Millage Request – November 2016 Ballot

DATE: January 27, 2016

**BACKGROUND**

The Mosquito Control Millage question is due to be presented to the voters in 2016. We would like to have the question on the November 2016 ballot. The current rate is .45 of a mill for eight (8) years.

**FINANCE/ECONOMICS**

The Bay County Mosquito Control needs the funding of a millage to continue providing Bay County citizens with mosquito abatement services. An increase to .65 for an eight (8) year period would ensure this funding.

**RECOMMENDATION**

We recommend that the request for an increase to .65 mill for the continuation of Bay County Mosquito abatement services be placed on the November 2016 ballot for a period of eight (8) years, 2016 through 2023 inclusive. Furthermore, that the actual ballot language is subject to confirmation from the Equalization Department regarding the estimated revenues for the first years of the levy and that changes as to form maybe made by Corporation Counsel.

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**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS****JULY 19, 2016****RESOLUTION****BY: BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (7/19/16)**

**RESOLVED** That, subject to approval, the following ballot question be submitted to the electors of this County on November 8, 2016, for the purpose of renewing the property tax limitation by .55 of a mill to fund the continuation of programs for senior citizens without interruption.; And Be It Further

**RESOLVED** That the question to be submitted to said electors at said election shall be in the following form:

**Senior Citizens Millage Renewal**

"Shall the limitation on the amount of property taxes which may be levied each year against all taxable property in Bay County be increased by .55 of a mill (55 ¢ per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of 6 years, 2016-2021 inclusive, for the continued operation of Senior Citizens' programs in Bay County"? This is a renewal of .50 of a mill approved by the voters in 2009 that expired in 2015 and a .05 mill increase for the continuation of Senior Citizens programs. (This millage will raise estimated revenues of \$\_\_\_\_\_ in the first year of the levy.); Be It Further

**RESOLVED** That changes as to form made by Corporation Counsel are permitted.

**ERNIE KRYGIER, CHAIR  
AND BOARD**

**Senior Citizens-Millage Renewal - 2016-2021**

MOVED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

SUPPORTED BY COMM. \_\_\_\_\_

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
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VOTE TOTALS:

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Date: June 28th, 2016  
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RE: Senior Millage Renewal

#### BACKGROUND:

Bay County has the highest percentage in Michigan of senior citizens as a proportion of the population at 18.3% or 19,434 total. Currently there are two millage funds that focus on seniors. The Senior Millage has supported the Division on Aging's senior programs since 1975 at .50 mills, and has been generously supported by Bay County residents for renewal on a number of occasions. It was last approved in 2010 and has expired at the end of 2015. The second millage has been in existence since it was approved in 2012 at .30 mills for the kitchen addition and program services, which is set to expire at the end of 2016.

The Division on Aging has experienced an increase in requests for services as the senior population has grown, and has made every attempt to meet the demand and avoid placing individuals on waiting lists for services. The current .50 mill is not meeting the financial cost to provide services to a growing senior population. The Senior Citizens Millage provides the largest share of the Division on Aging budget, and the local cash match for many of our state and federal grants, providing funding for services that do not receive grant funding, and pay any capital improvements needed.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Requesting to place the renewal of .50 with an additional .05 mill on the November ballot this would total .55 mills for a six (6) year period. It is essential that the question be placed before the voters for the renewal of .50 with the proposed .05 mill increase, to secure local resources for senior services sponsored by the Bay County Division on Aging. Without the renewal of the millage and the slight increase in funding, budget reductions which include shutdown of programs would be necessary.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Upon favorable review by Corporation Counsel, the Division on Aging recommends that the request for renewal of the .50 mill with the .05 mill increase for the continuation of Senior Citizens programs be placed on the November 2016 ballot for a period of six years. I am further recommending that the actual ballot language is subject to confirmation from Equalization regarding the estimated revenues for the first year of the levy and that changes as to form may be made by Corporation Counsel.